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HELP TO VERA CRUZ

WARSHIPS LOUISIANA AND NEW HAMPSHIRE START SOUTHWARD.

MOVE A PRECAUTIONARY ONE

Serious Anti-Foreign Demonstrations Lead Commander McNamee to Urge that Additional Vessels Be Sent to the Scene.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

Washington, D. C.—Two American battleships, the Louisiana and the New Hampshire, have sailed from Newport, R. I., for Vera Cruz, in response to an urgent request from Commander McNamee that his little fleet of gunboats in Mexican waters be reinforced in view of antiforeign demonstrations at Carranza's capital.

It is understood that President Wilson himself ordered the warships sent, although no official of the government would even admit that they had sailed. Care had been taken to point out that any naval or military action at this time would be purely precautionary to safeguard foreign interests and could not be construed as having any connection with the Pan-American conference.

Official reticence concerning the movements of the Louisiana and New Hampshire is due largely to a fear that news of their coming reaching Vera Cruz ahead of the ships might accentuate the already serious situation existing there.

Commander McNamee reported that natives have made incendiary speeches in the streets of Vera Cruz against Americans and other foreigners and that there had been numerous endeavors to incite an uprising, although no overt act had yet been committed.

POLAND DRIVE CONTINUES.

Russians Are Pressed Hard by Austro-Germans.

London.—The commencement of new and greater efforts to force the Dardanelles and thus bring success to the Russians, who are still being hard pressed by the Austro-Germans in eastern Poland and the Baltic provinces, and at the same time to influence the Balkan states, together with a zeppelin raid on the east coast of England, in which four persons were killed and four wounded, are late features of the war news.

For some time the news from the Dardanelles from the British standpoint has been more cheerful. While no details of the operations there have been given out, the public has been allowed to learn that the hope for a successful issue in the fighting on the Turkish peninsula was brighter.

Answer Goes Forward.

Washington, D. C.—The American reply to the last German note regarding the sinking of the American ship William P. Frye, has been cabled to Berlin. While the original position of the state department that the Prussian-American treaty of 1823 was violated by destruction of the vessel is affirmed, it is understood that the United States now agrees to accept payment for the Frye, under the conditions suggested to the last German note, obviating an appeal to arbitration at The Hague. Germany stipulates that payment shall not involve admission of a treaty obligation. The American note is said to stipulate that no treaty rights are waived by acceptance. The amount to be paid will be fixed by two commissioners, one appointed by each government.

Granted 50 Per Cent Raise.

Gary, Ind.—Employees of the Aetna Chemical company and the Aetna Explosive company of New York, which operate plants at Aetna, a suburb of Gary; Thebes, Ill., and Ishpeming, Mich., have been granted wage increases of 50 per cent, it was announced today. According to the announcement of the companies, the employees will be granted a further increase of 50 per cent if the European war lasts beyond December of this year. Effective August 1, the employees were given a voluntary increase of 10 per cent in wages and a similar monthly increase will be made for five months.

Imperiled in Mexico City.

Sioux City, Ia.—The plight of American residents in Mexico unquestionably is serious, in view of the withdrawal of the Brazilian minister and with him the last semblance of diplomatic protection, and in view also of the apparent intention of President Wilson to force things to an issue in Mexico now, according to Van A. Dyer, of Sioux City, whose parents and brother now are in Mexico City.

Chinese Exclusion Unwise?

San Francisco.—Kee Owyang, Chinese commissioner to the Panama-Pacific exposition, told the international immigration congress here that the United States was the only one of the great nations which has not abused China. While he extolled the friendliness of the United States, on the one hand, he found much to condemn in the operation of the Chinese exclusion act, which he characterized as an "unjust law, a breach of treaty," and the only possible cause of friction between the two countries.

KILL SIX MEXICANS

TEXANS SLAY BANDITS IN CAMERON COUNTY—U. S. REGULARS RUSHED TO SCENE.

THREE AMERICANS WOUNDED

Fierce Battle Rages All Night and Re-enforcements Are Sent to Aid the State Forces Who Are Holding Off 200 Outlaws.

Brownsville, Tex., Aug. 10.—Troop B, Third United States cavalry, left here for the northern part of Cameron county. It was reported the Mexicans attacking Norias ranch numbered fully two hundred.

Six Mexican bandits have been killed and three Americans wounded, in a battle that raged all night at the Norias ranch, sixty miles north of here.

United States troops, as well as Texas rangers, are rushing to the aid of the barricaded ranchmen.

On the special train, carrying the re-enforcements, are Henry Hutchings, adjutant general of Texas; J. M. Fox, captain of Texas rangers, and Sheriff Vann of Brownsville.

Four companies of United States infantry are being rushed into Fort McIntosh, near Laredo, and will be hurried to Norias soon after their arrival here.

According to information received here 30 Mexican bandits raided the Norias ranch and drove away 50 horses and took a quantity of provisions and several rifles.

Late in the afternoon the Mexicans returned and a pitched battle was begun. The 14 Americans barricading themselves in the ranch house.

They telephoned from the ranch house to Sarita, Brownsville and Kingsville for help before the Mexicans cut the telephone wires.

The outlaws appear to have been active at other points during the day. Fritz George, night watchman at the Lyford (Tex.) jail, was shot and seriously wounded before daybreak.

TROOPS TO SHELL MEXICANS

Funston Men Massed Along Line Near Nogales See Villa Force Beaten by Carranzistas.

Nogales, Ariz., Aug. 6.—After defeating the major portion of Governor Jose Maytorena's Villa army at Mascarras, ten miles south, on Wednesday, the Carranza forces under Gen. P. Elias Calles began an attack on Nogales, Sonora, while American troops lined the border to enforce if necessary the order to repel any invasion of American rights by Mexican factions. Calla soon forced the Villa troops back to the Mexican town of Nogales. Americans crowded the hills to watch the fighting. The American troops, a regiment of cavalry and a machine gun platoon, lined the border. The soldiers had orders to begin firing on the Mexicans the moment bullets flew into American territory.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Unusual activity in the war and navy departments was evident during the day, and an order from General Scott, chief of staff, directing a battery of the Fifth field artillery to proceed from Fort Sill, Okla., to El Paso, Tex., aroused considerable surprise. At the war department it was stated the artillery was ordered at the request of the state department.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRE

London, Aug. 6.—The ministry of munitions has decided to undertake the manufacture of munitions on a large scale in Ireland. A representative of the ministry will reside in Dublin and have charge of the organization of Ireland as a munition-producing area.

London, Aug. 6.—The British steamer Portia was sunk by a German submarine. The crew was saved. The Portia was captured from Germans at the start of the war.

London, Aug. 6.—The British steamer Costello has been sunk by a German submarine. One member of the crew was drowned.

New York, Aug. 9.—Gen. Benjamin F. Tracy, who was President Harrison's secretary of the navy, died of paralysis here on Friday in his eighty-fifth year after a period of unconsciousness lasting nine days. Three years ago General Tracy sustained a shock of paralysis, but rallied from it after a few weeks and was able to resume his law practice. He was badly shaken up in an automobile accident last Decoration day, but from this, too, he speedily recovered.

Amsterdam, Aug. 9.—A dispatch from Berlin denies the report that a British submarine blew up the famous Galata bridge of Constantinople.

To Inquire Into Seizure.

Washington, Aug. 10.—Ambassador Gerard at Berlin has been ordered by the state department to make an inquiry into the reported seizure of the American steamers Lima and Wico by Germany.

Italy Invaded by Austrians.

Vienna, Aug. 10.—Austrian troops have invaded Italy and captured important positions near Mount Peralba. This is the chief feature of a review of military operations on the Italian front.

MARINES FIGHT MOB

AMERICAN TROOPS OCCUPY PALACE AND THE PORT OFFICE AT PORT AU PRINCE.

GUNBOAT PACIFIQUE SEIZED

General Bobo Protests Against Occupation—Patrols Fire on Crowds and Man Is Killed—Re-Enforcements Sent to Haiti.

Port au Prince, Haiti, Aug. 9.—United States naval forces under Admiral Caperton took possession of the national palace and the office of the port and seized the Haitian gunboat Pacificque, which arrived from Cape Haitien in the morning.

The crew of the gunboat was disarmed and landed. They were greeted on shore by a crowd which cried: "Hurrah for Bobo!"

During the operation to take possession of the port office the American troops were forced to fire and one Haitian was killed. The incident has caused a great stir in the town.

General Bobo arrived on the Centio from Cape Haitien and went to his chambers where he immediately indicted a protest against the American occupation.

The occupation is being extended not only on the palace, the fort and all other important places in the town, but three miles beyond the limits. American patrols are in the streets maintaining peace and order, and tonight the curfew law forbidding persons without authority to pass through the streets after eight o'clock was put in force.

The United States warship Connecticut landed 150 marines, who occupied the forts.

Washington, Aug. 9.—In dispatches to the navy department Admiral Caperton announced that revolt had broken out at Gonaves, on the western coast of Haiti, and asked that re-enforcements be sent to him.

Admiral Benson, acting secretary of the navy, ordered the armored cruiser Tennessee, with 850 marines, to Port au Prince.

9 NEGROES HANG IN ONE DAY

South Executes Seven by Legal Process and Two Are Mob Victims.

Memphis, Aug. 9.—Nine negroes were hanged, seven legally and two lynched, while a tenth was being chased in the southern states on Friday.

Alabama led the list with four legal hangings. At Evergreen, Robert Watkins and John Salter were hanged for the murder and assault of Mrs. Mary Lassiter at Cullman.

George James was hanged for the murder of George Clayburn. Millard Carpenter was hanged at Birmingham for the murder two years ago of John T. Camp, a white man.

Mississippi hanged three negroes, two of them, Peter Polen and Jim Senles, were convicted of murdering another negro.

Bunyan Walters was hanged at Fayetteville, Miss., for the murder of Tom Neals.

Dispatches from Shawnee, Okla., tell of a "quiet, orderly crowd armed to the teeth," which hanged Ed Berry to a Santa Fe railroad bridge, rid-dled his body with bullets and dispersed in an orderly a fashion as it had formed.

In the early morning hours at Tribby, Fla., a crowd, hypnotized with fury, lynched Will Leach, accused of attacking a thirteen-year-old girl.

WILSON PREPARES MESSAGE

President Will Make National Defense Principal Topic in His Communication to Congress.

Cornish, N. H., Aug. 6.—President Wilson is planning to make national defense one of the principal subjects in his next message to congress. While he will not decide finally on the policy he will ask congress to approve until after he has received the reports requested from Secretaries Garrison and Daniels, it became known that he already has given much preliminary thought to the question. While the president will make recommendations to congress on other subjects, the discussion of national defense is expected to attract much attention.

QUITS AS WARDEN AT JOLIET

Allen Wires His Resignation to Governor After Latter Refused Plea for Residence in Chicago.

Chicago, Aug. 9.—Warden E. M. Allen of Joliet penitentiary resigned his position on Friday. The warden sent a telegram to Governor Dunne giving up his place following a receipt of a letter from the governor in which he was informed that the Illinois law requires him to live inside the prison.

Milwaukee Bishop Dead.

Milwaukee, Aug. 10.—Rt. Rev. Edward Kozlowski, auxiliary bishop of the Milwaukee archdiocese, died in St. Joseph's hospital following a recent operation performed on his neck for a carbuncle.

New Ruler for Portugal.

Lisbon, Portugal, Aug. 10.—Bernardinho Machado was elected by congress president of the republic of Portugal. Senor Machado was elected on the third ballot by a majority of 134 of the 379 members present.



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